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SUBJECT: UNITA PRESIDENT JONAS SAVIMBI VISITS IVORY COAST (AGAIN)

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1. LEADER OF ANGOLAN LIBERATION MOVEMENT UNITA JONAS SAVIMBI CALLED ON IVORY COAST PRESIDENT HOUPHOUET-BOIGNY JULY 23 TO APPRISE GOIC LEADER, ACCORDING TO PRESS, OF CURRENT SITUATION IN ANGOLA AND DISCUSS POSSIBLE SOLUTIONS. IT WAS SAVIMBI'S SECOND VISIT IN SIX WEEKS (REFTEL). IN INTERVIEW FOLLOWING MEETING WITH HOUPHOUET, SAVIMBI MADE FOLLOWING POINTS:

A. ANGOLAN INDEPENDENCE DATE OF NOVEMBER 11 MUST BE RESPECTED DESPITE DETERIORATION OF SITUATION IN COUNTRY AND OUTBREAK OF FIGHTING BETWEEN MPLA AND FNLA. SAVIMBI ADDED HE DID NOT UNDERSTAND WHY LATTER TWO PARTIES INSISTED ON FIGHTING INSTEAD OF TALKING TO SETTLE THEIR DIFFERENCES.

B. REGARDING CURRENT OAU MOVE TOWARD MEDIATION, SAVIMBI INDICATED HE WAS PREPARED TO GO TO KAMPALA TO DISCUSS THE

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SITUATION.

C. CABINDA MUST REMAIN AN INTEGRAL PART OF AN INDEPENDENT ANGOLA.

D. ANGOLA RISKS TURNING INTO ANOTHER VIETNAM IN VIEW OF FOREIGN INFLUENCES OPERATING IN THE COUNTRY. SAVIMBI ADDED HE DOUBTS THE IMPARTIALITY OF THE ROLE WHICH LISBON IS PLAYING IN ANGOLA.

2. SAVIMBI DEPARTS IVORY COAST JULY 24.
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